

Bristol & District Branch Pub Of The Year Selection Process for 2017

1. Nominations

Following the launch of the Good Beer Guide in September members are invited by an email link to nominate up to 5 pubs from the branch entries in the current edition of the Good Beer Guide. The current POTY is excluded from the competition for the following year.

2. The list of finalists

At the October branch meeting the nominations are counted and the 6 pubs with the highest number of nominations are announced as the finalists.

3 Judging the finalists

Any member attending the October branch meeting (or any subsequent meeting) can request the list of finalists and act as a judge using one of the supplied branch POTY judging forms.

Details of branch meetings can be found at: www.camrabristol.org.uk/diary.html

Members unable to make one of these meetings can request a judging form by emailing camra@camrabristol.org.uk and supplying their full name, address and CAMRA membership number.

The absolute rule is that any participating judge **must** visit all of the finalist pubs over the judging period to fairly compare them against each other and complete the judging form with reference to the CAMRA judging guidelines.

Judging forms must be returned to a Bristol & District CAMRA branch meeting with the February branch meeting being the final deadline. This is to meet the national CAMRA timescale so that our branch winner can be included in the regional phase of the competition. The results of the judging are collated and the winner and runner-up are announced.

4. Regional and National Stages

The branch winner is then put forward to the Regional phase of the CAMRA POTY competition and the winner of this phase goes through to the National competition. It is important to note that for a pub to be awarded branch POTY we need to have every confidence that the licensee is intending to stay for the foreseeable future. This is both because it is not appropriate for us to put a pub forward to these next stages as our branch winner if we know the licensee is likely to have left and also because the branch winner will of course be known as our POTY for the whole year.